

# THE ELECT (I)

2 Tim 2:10

**2 Timothy 2:10** I am willing to suffer all for sake of those whom God has chosen for salvation and eternal glory.

***Elect:*** to call out; chosen by grace and called by Spirit;

Messiah, Israel , Moses, Disciples, Christians.

Sovereign grace movement:

Emphasis: sovereignty of God

God predetermines, selects, elects from eternity past who He will save.

Predestines some for Heaven and some for Hell.

## TULIP

T-Total depravity of man ...Total Hereditary Depravity.

Man wholly and totally corrupt in nature.

Man has no ability to please God

There is nothing in us which can naturally commend us to God.

U-Unconditional election.

Because totally depraved, God has to be one who initiates our salvation.

This He does, unconditionally.

L-Limited atonement.

Atonement is limited only to those elected by God.

Christ only died for sins of elect.

I-Irresistible Grace.

God initiates salvation

He implants desire to know Him.

Impossible for a person who is part of the elect to reject God's grace.

P – Perseverance of the saints.

Can't lose salvation.

God elected you, Jesus redeemed you, Holy Spirit applied salvation.

## Free Will of Man

Love of God emphasized..

God never forces His will on man...free choice.

Man is depraved

God's will is that all will be saved

Unlimited atonement...Christ died for sins of world.

Can resist grace of God

Man not a robot.

Eternal security

Armenianism: lose salvation.

### Sovereign grace:

John 6:44 *No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: ...*

Ephesians 1:4 ... *he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world,*

Ephesians 1:5 *Having predestinated us ...*

Romans 8:29 *For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate*

1 Peter 1:2 *Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, ...*

John 15:16 *Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you,*

John 17:6 *... thine they were, and thou gavest them me;*

2 Thessalonians 2:13 ... *because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:*

Romans 9:11 *(For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)*

Romans 9:15 *For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.*

Jas 1:18 *of His own will begat He us with the Word of Faith*

### 1. TOTAL DEPRAVITY OF MAN

More extreme – total inability of man

Man cannot do anything to bring about his salvation... **not even believe!**

Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 7:18; Psalm 51:5; Psalm 58:3; Psalm 14:2;

Psalm 14:3; Romans 3:10; John 6:44

What about John 12:32 *And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.*

John 6:44 *No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.*

God, in His sovereignty, draws every man sufficiently and enlightens every man as much as necessary for that individual, of his own free will, to make a decision.

*Draw:* to attract, entice, charm, provoke, exert force.

Romans 1:20... Holy Spirit gives every man enough light so that he is without excuse.

Romans 3:23 *For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;*

*All:* The whole extent, the entire number or quantity, everyone, whosoever, every, whatsoever.

John 1:9 *That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.*

*Every:* each one, individually, and separately and including all.

Man totally corrupt and depraved in nature and will.

God must turn light on in heart and soul so he chooses to receive Christ.

God sovereignly gives man a choice to receive Christ or reject Christ.

## 2. UNCONDITIONAL ELECTION.

God has to initiate our salvation.

Decision to receive Christ is wholly and entirely God's

What about John 5:40 *Ye will not ....* Doesn't say, *ye could not.*

## 3. LIMITED ATONEMENT. Christ only died for elect.

One evangelist: *Jesus blood was not shed for 1 person in Hell.*

What about:

John 3:16 *World*: planet earth; whole universe; human race; all of mankind; the public, people in general

*Whosoever*: whole extent. The entire number, every one, all inclusive, any person.

John 1:29 1 John 2:2 2 Corinthians 5:14 2 Corinthians 5:15

John 4:14 John 11:26 John 11:46 Acts 2:21 Romans 10:13

## 4. IRRESISTIBLE GRACE.

God's grace, when presented by Holy Spirit, is of such a nature that it is impossible for the sinner to resist or refuse.

Acts 7:51 ... *ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye.*

5-pointers come up with new doctrine

2 calls:

1. General call – every sinner hears

2. Effectual call – only elect hears

Thought: God offers His grace to every one (*whosoever will*) but His efficacious grace (*real and effective grace*) to elect.

1. Insincere call – fake grace..for all sinners to hear ...*window dressing.*

2. Sincere call – real grace! For elect only.

They say, Matthew 20:16 ...**for many be called, but few chosen.**

Have you read rest of verse? Context?

Parable about householder who hired laborers to work in vineyard.

Referring to service and rewards

To apply it to general and effectual call for salvation...twisting scriptures

Matthew 22:14 **For many are called, but few are chosen.**

Parable of King who made a marriage supper for son and invited guests to the banquet.

The servants bid others... Matthew 22:9-14

Oriental culture...provide every guest with garment.

Unlimited atonement and resistible grace.

1. Offered cloak (salvation) – called
2. Offer rejected---cast into hell. Not chosen.

## **5. PERSEVERANCE OF THE SAINTS**

Once saved, always saved.

*Perseverance*; the act of persevering; continued, patient effort

Thought: not saints who persevere but Holy Spirit.

Philippians 1:6; 1 John 5:11-13

**What believe? Both!**

I was elected according to foreknowledge of God and I have a choice to believe or reject Christ.

I don't have to make a choice on either side!

**2 Timothy 2:10 ... *that they may also obtain the salvation ..***

That unbelievers might come to salvation which is in Christ with eternal glory.

## **SO WHAT?**

Depravity of man – all are depraved.

Election – for all. Acts 17:30 ... *commandeth all men every where to repent:*

Atonement – for the world John 3:16

Grace-can be resisted. Acts 7:51

Perseverance of the Saints.

You may not persevere but Holy Spirit does.

Philippians 1:6 *Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:*